## **U.S. Department of Justice**



United States Attorney District of Minnesota

## LAW CLERKS - WINTER/SPRING 2009

The United States Attorney's Office for the District of Minnesota seeks part-time, volunteer law clerks to join us during the winter/spring 2009 semester to support the missions of both the Criminal and Civil Divisions of the Office. The Criminal Division of the Office is comprised of three sections: Narcotics, Economic Crimes, and Major Crimes. It is responsible for prosecuting all federal crimes committed in Minnesota, from acts of terrorism to public corruption, white-collar crime, organized crime and gang activities, internet-related crimes, and many other criminal acts. The Civil Division of the Office is charged with defending agencies of the United States, enforcing regulatory agencies' authority, and recovering funds from violators of U.S. criminal, regulatory, and civil laws.

We ask our law clerks for a 12-week commitment, working a minimum of 15 hours per week that are scheduled around your class schedule. Law clerks perform research and writing projects, and assist in appellate work and trial preparation. Clerks will be given assignments in as many different divisions and units as possible, providing exposure to a wide variety of practice areas and a number of AUSAs. Clerks also attend court proceedings as well as monthly brown bag lunches at which AUSAs, the defense bar, the federal judiciary, and federal agents speak. The goal is for law clerks to see the federal legal system at work, develop their legal skills and, above all, enjoy their experience.

**Location:** Minneapolis, Minnesota

**Application** Cover letter, resume, law school transcript, legal writing sample (not exceeding 10

Materials: pages), and two letters of recommendation (at least one of which must be from a

law school professor or instructor).

**Qualifications:** Students who are currently second-year and third-year law students, with strong

legal research, analysis, and writing skills. Applicants must be U.S. citizens. Due

to the sensitive nature of the work performed by the Office, all offers are

conditioned upon the successful completion of a required background check.

**Application** September 30, 2008. Please submit entire application at once by mail only to:

**Deadline:** Ms. LaVern Callum, United States Attorney's Office, 600 United States

Courthouse, 300 South 4th Street, Minneapolis, MN 55415. No telephone calls

please.

Salary: Volunteer (without compensation).

Web Site: http://www.usdoj.gov/usao/mn/